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#### Hired Santa Clauses.

There is a touch of pathos about a situation which has arisen in Los Angeles as the result of an advertisement by an amusement park there for a dozen aged men with white hair and beards to play Santa Claus during the holiday season.

Seventy-five old men, some of them tottering under three score years and ten, applied in one day for the job. Some of them were willing to take the work in return for meals and a place to sleep.

Christmas, of all the seasons of the year, is the season of joy, mirth and freedom from care—for some.

But when we get right down to the cold, hard facts and see seventy-five old men, standing at the brink of the grave, applying for positions as "hired" Santa Clauses at a public amusement park, a touch of bitterness is added to the season that should not be a part of Christmas.

Los Angeles is one of the wealthiest cities on the Pacific coast. It is maintained by the wealth of a wealthy class, for it has been built upon tourist traffic and by the millions of the millionaire. And Los Angeles has seventy-five aged, white-haired men, struggling one against the other to one day for a job. It is a sociological situation that is a trifle too grim for comment. When a white-haired old man plays Santa Claus from his own volition and sees again the panorama of his childhood in the happy faces of another generation, it is a sight that adds much to the holy season.

But seventy-five old men, bidding against each other for a job—well, that is business, doubtless, just business seen beneath the magnifying glass of our modern times.

#### HELP WANTED.

We rise timidly to inquire if the Legal Bureau is still in existence, and if it isn't, why isn't it?

Of course, you will all recall the Legal Bureau—that selected assortment of patriots who were chosen at a meeting of the Democratic central committee in Albuquerque just after the war—pardon us, the election—and bidden to go forth and search for fraud, and when it was found to trample it under foot as they would a viper, and if necessary to call on certain other patriots for funds to aid in the tramping, even if it cost ten thousand perfectly good American dollars. Sure, everybody remembers the Legal Bureau.

A breathless public has awaited news from the Legal Bureau, expecting day by day to hear it sound a paeon of war. Instead, it has sung a lullaby. Its principal object seems to have been to let people forget that it ever existed.

There is need for the Legal Bureau. At Clayton, up in Union county, where the ballot boxes were opened it was found that there were ten more ballots in the box than there were persons who had voted in the election. Two of the judges refused to sign the certificate of the election, giving as their reason that fraud and coercion had been practiced. Can it be denied that these facts give rise to a reasonable suspicion that the election in Clayton was not entirely regular?

But it so happens that if the vote of the Clayton precinct is allowed to enter into the tabulation for the whole state certain candidates who are politically affiliated with the members of the Legal Bureau will be shown to have been elected, whereas, leaving it out, they must go the way of all candidates who ran not wisely but too often. And so we see the Legal Bureau looking very intently in the other direction while attorneys for the candidates who benefited by the Clayton frauds shriek to high Heaven in an effort to have the illegal vote counted.

It begins to look as if the Legal Bureau is a badly damaged piece of second-hand furniture.

#### IT'S UP TO THE DEMOCRATS.

The board appointed by President Taft to investigate the subject of tariff revision has made a report with reference to the wool schedule, and the report, together with recommendations thereon by the president, has been transmitted to congress.

We will now have an opportunity to judge of the sincerity of the Democratic pretension of a desire to revise the tariff in such a manner as to give needed relief to the people and at the same time not unduly disturb business conditions. Realizing that the tariff is a complicated affair and that any changes in it should be made only after intelligent

and scientific study had been brought to bear on the subject, Mr. Taft last summer vetoed the hastily drawn bills passed by the Democratic house and the coalition of Democrats and insurgent Republicans in the senate. For this he has been severely criticized by the radical press of the country and by the Democratic politicians who sought to make capital out of his act.

The president has now put it squarely up to the Democrats. The tariff board has made its report, the result of many months of deep study and research with a view to ascertaining just what the tariff on wool should be. Patriotism and statesmanship would dictate that the Democratic leaders should lay aside partisanship and strive only to enact legislation in harmony with the recommendations of the tariff board, to the end that needed changes in the wool schedule may be made and the country be given a rest from the eternal agitation of this question. Will they do it?

It is safe to say that they will not. Next year is a presidential year and politics, rather than statesmanship, is the mainspring which controls Democratic action. No tariff law will be passed. A bluff will be made, but nothing will be done; and the patriotic efforts of the president to give the country a sane program of tariff revision will be thwarted until the election of a congress which is able to subordinate peanut politics to statesmanship.

#### EUROPE EXPANDS.

The chief advantage of the German-French agreement with regard to Morocco, declared Foreign Minister de Selves in the French chamber of deputies on Thursday, is that it frees foreign politics from a question which has been a continued source of conflict for years.

It will, indeed, eliminate one source of European disputes, but there remain a number of others, and until the powers finally decide that they are satisfied with the share of the earth's surface which they have there is no telling when another crisis of some sort may arise.

Just at present, as M. de Selves said, negotiations are proceeding with Spain in the matter of the latter's claims on the North African littoral. That these claims are likely to be amicably adjusted is probable, and yet in the recent misunderstanding between France and Germany, Spain assumed at one time an attitude that was decidedly hostile to France.

Germany, smarting under what she considers to have been a setback to her ambitions in the German-French agreement, may undertake to influence Spain to make demands that may conflict with French policy. In that event the negotiations may be prolonged and during the "conversations" troublesome issues may arise. Europe just now is in a rather nervous state. That the Morocco incident itself is not considered as altogether closed was made evident by the presence in the French chamber on Thursday of the ambassadors of Germany, Russia, Great Britain and Spain. To the representative of Great Britain the debate brought probably the greatest satisfaction, showing as it did that French statesmen fully recognize the service that England rendered France during the late negotiations.

And yet it is only a matter of some thirteen years since England humiliated France in the Fashoda affair. At that time the British government warned the French that England would never permit the latter to establish herself on the Nile. French bitterness in that day was very similar to the present German wrath over Agadir.

England and France have composed their former quarrels and mutually recognized the legitimate and non-conflicting colonial aspirations of both. Germany and France and England may reach a similar understanding now. But the case is not quite the same, for Germany believes that she has a grievance against two countries instead of only one.

Meanwhile Italy in Tripoli and Russia in Persia are pushing their claims for new territory. And the Hague tribunal is having a fine, long vacation.

#### MR. TAFT IN NEW YORK.

Mr. Taft has been paying a visit to New York city and has held a number of interviews with the various Republican politicians and leaders of both the standpat and progressive ilk.

And likewise, the president has made a series of speeches during which he has been quite outspoken on several matters of exceeding interest in the east.

At long distance one can not judge of what political effect the president's visit to New York has had, but everything points to the fact that Mr. Taft landed in New York at about the psychological time, if such a time there ever has been in New York.

But while Mr. Taft was in New York we failed to discover even a trace of Mr. Roosevelt or of Mr. La Follette or of any of the other gen-

lemen mentioned in connection with Mr. Taft's job for 1912.

But if Mr. Taft said anything or did anything, or neglected to say anything or do anything that did not fit perfectly and dovetail nicely into the delicate situation in New York state, doubtless he will be made aware of it within a few days and in no uncertain tones.

Mr. Taft's judicial temperament, however, is maddening to some of his political opponents who have tried so often and have failed so consistently to get a rise out of the president.

According to a visitor from Ham-burg the talk of war between Germany and Great Britain is silly, because "neither country can afford to fight." Nevertheless, most people spend money they can't afford, otherwise Christmas would have been abolished years and years ago.

Lack is a queer thing. The four men condemned to be hanged in Chicago this week got a reprieve from the governor until next month. Had they been some men they just naturally would have been hanged according to schedule.

A Durango society woman has been arrested for giving a party for five children who were ill with whooping cough. This puts the monkey dinner so far in the back seat that Newport will have to find a new inventor.

If those Moros really have a few guns up on top of that mountain someone is likely to get hurt, and, after due reflection, it seems reasonable to conclude that the Moros are "it."

The American Sugar company, also at times familiarly referred to as the sugar trust, will soon get another probe or two. But the season for putting up fruit is past.

Having lost most everything else, we see no good reason why the Moros should now refuse to part with any stray weapons they may have in their possession.

From this angle it appears that the "concessions" offered by the Chinese imperialists are about what could be expected of a man looking down the barrel of a loaded six-shooter.

Now that the tariff board has made its report it is a safe bet that the Democratic house will want to change the subject.

After all, it is not unlikely that President Taft needed police protection before he left the "little old" town.

In deciding to hold their national convention next year in Oklahoma City the Socialists followed the line of least resistance.

Mme. Langevin never would have gotten her name on the first page of the papers if Mme. Curie had not discovered radium.

Without desiring to hurt anyone's feelings, the right of Russia to kill American citizens, Jewish, Irish or Hungarian, doesn't go.

## DR. MCCARTHY IS A BENEDICT

Popular Young Man of Santa Fe and Miss Josie Grimshaw, Pretty Santa Fe Miss Are United in Marriage.

Dr. Thomas A. McCarthy, a government veterinarian and inspector, and Miss Josephine Grimshaw, a pretty and popular young woman, both residents of Santa Fe, were united in marriage there on December 20 at the cathedral. Very Rev. Antonio Forchett, vicar general, officiating. The couple arrived in this city yesterday and will spend a week here on their honeymoon.

Dr. McCarthy, who has taken a prominent part in athletics in New Mexico and especially in baseball, is well known here and has many friends who will extend heartiest congratulations. Miss Grimshaw is pretty, popular and has a large number of friends in New Mexico who will be happy to know of her marriage to Dr. McCarthy.

The young people will make their home in Santa Fe, it is understood.

#### A RECORD.

Mr. Harris claims for "The Lion and the Mouse" the greatest theatrical entertainment of the decade. Its presentation here will be accompanied by the same competent cast of well-known players and elaborate scenic settings as have been the history of this play since it was first produced.

#### TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

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## INDIAN BOYS AND GIRLS ENTERTAIN FRIDAY EVE.

Wards of Uncle Sam to Present Pretty Cantata "Mrs. Santa Claus and the Christmas Dolls."

Prominent among the various holiday entertainments to be presented in the various schools of the city during Christmas week will be the cantata, "Mrs. Santa Claus and the Christmas Dolls," to be the feature of an entertainment at the United States Indian school on Friday evening, Dec. 22. The cantata will be presented in the assembly hall at the school. Superintendent Ruden S. Perry, who has taken much interest in the arrangements for staging the cantata, extends an invitation to the general public to attend. The cantata is one of the prettiest and most pretentious yet attempted by the Indian children and the officials and teachers of the school deserve much credit for the efficient manner in which they have trained the youngsters to act and sing. The program for the cantata follows:

Mr. Santa Claus.....Mr. Barton  
Mrs. Santa Claus.....Eather Romero  
French Doll.....Gertrude Lente  
Crying Doll.....Emeterio Garcia  
Indian Doll.....Johnny Lockwood  
Talking Doll.....Tommy Hathorn  
Baby Doll.....Marcellina Jojoia  
Lionel Fauntleroy.....Kiddie Prand  
Drummer Doll.....Ray Natsawey  
Walking Doll.....Juan Peralta  
Japanese Doll.....Fred Phillips  
Creeping Doll.....Romaldia Padilla  
Colored Doll.....Claudio Hunt  
Singing Doll.....Ruby Palsano  
Colored Jack in the Box.....

Chorus of girls.....Miguel Vazquez  
Chorus of boys.....Miguel Vazquez  
Five Common Dolls.....

Albee Hardla, Rachel Palsano, Celia Hunt, Pasquale Abella, Lupe Spira.  
Chorus of girls.....Mollie Anello, Mary Thompson, Stella Santiago, Josephine Roy, Sadie Thompson, Hattie Chavez, Ada Kie.  
Chorus of boys.....Evaristo Jojoia, Remilo Abella, George Kersto, Tommy Hathorn, Lazaro Chavez, Kiddie Prand, Claudio Hunt.

Song—"Welcome".....Chorus  
PART I.

Mrs. Santa Claus exhibits with great pride to Mr. Santa Claus her fine collection of Christmas dolls. They walk, talk, creep, even sing to the great delight of Santa Claus who is especially attracted to the Jack in the Box performance. Finally the reindeer get impatient and the curtain drops on Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus busily carrying out the dolls preparatory to loading them into the sleigh.

Song—"The Bells".....Chorus  
(The Ghouls)  
Song—"Joy, Joy to the World".....Chorus  
(The Jays)

PART II.

The boys and girls rush onto the stage and being impatient for Santa Claus to appear sing "Callina for Santa Claus." He comes in response and after singing a song in which the children join he finds that he has forgotten the dolls which his wife prepared. Mrs. Santa Claus then appears with her arms full of dolls and after a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus she distributes the dolls to the girls who sing "Hush-a-bye." The boys then sing their sleigh-bell song and the program closes with a good-night song by five little girls dressed for bed.

## "LION AND MOUSE" PRODUCTION IS A CLEVER DRAMA

"The Lion and the Mouse," which the United Play company will present in this city at the Elks' theater in matinee and evening performances on Christmas day, is an American play, exceptionally and conspicuously such, and based upon a theme which has not been before exploited dramatically. It deals directly with a subject which at the present moment is very much in the public mind—the corruption of politics and legislation by the power of combined money-making organizations and the

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Bonds, Securities, Etc. ....	36,042.61
Banking House and Furniture .....	42,000.00
United States Bonds .....	340,000.00
Cash and Exchange .....	1,109,550.46
Total .....	1,449,550.46
	\$3,339,067.14

### LIABILITIES

Capital .....	\$ 200,000.00
Surplus and Profits .....	51,432.20
Circulation .....	200,000.00
Deposits .....	2,887,634.94
Total .....	\$3,339,067.14

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To Charles Klein, who wrote the play, and Henry B. Harris, who had foregone to appreciate the timeliness of it, is due credit for undoubtedly one of the best dramas that has been seen in America in many years. The announcement of the production here is causing much comment.

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## FARMINGTON HAS CUTTING SCRAPE

Two Hot Headed Men Started Row in Spirit of Fun But Ended the Affair by One Cutting the Other Severely.

(Farmington Enterprise.)

A short time before the football game was called last Friday T. H. Jones and Ernest Westbrook got into an altercation which finally wound up by Jones cutting a gash in the latter's scalp with a pocket knife which required three stitches to close. He also cut through several thicknesses of clothing and narrowly missed laying open Westbrook's jugular vein. The whole argument started in a spirit of fun and all concerned are to be congratulated that it did not have a fatal ending.

Westbrook immediately swore out a complaint charging Jones with assault with a deadly weapon and the case was set for Monday evening. At that time Belknap and Danburg, attorneys for the defendant, asked that the case be dismissed for the reason that the complaint was improperly drawn. Judge Boswell took the matter under advisement until Wednesday afternoon, when he handed down his decision as follows: "The motion to dismiss sustained on the grounds that the complaint did not state that the act was committed contrary to law."